## Idaho Panhandle RAC Meeting September 7, 2012 0900-1500

**Committee Attending:** Jon Cantamessa, Barbara Botsch, Terry Steiner, Jackie McAvoy, MariBeth Lynch, Neil Smith, Joe Peak, Robin Stanley, Mary Farnsworth, Robin Stanley, Bob McCoy, Michael Ripatti, Patty Perry, Ruth Watkins

**Others Present:** Kim Johnson (USFS), Linda McFaddan (USFS), Wade Sims (USFS), Matt Davis (USFS), Jay Kirchner (USFS), Ed Morgan (USFS), Barb Hansen (USFS), Brent Briggs (USFS), Chad Hudson (USFS), Larry Yergler (Shoshone County Commissioner)

Note Taker: Shoshana Cooper

Jon Cantamessa opened the meeting with introductions and updates. Patty Perry Russ Graham, from and Penny Morgan (Uofl) are going to speak to the TRIBE. Also working on the Panhandle Restoration project. Will be working on their fisheries project as soon as the water drops. Jackie McAvoy planning the Idaho Women in Foresty in October. She's looking for women speakers. Will be heading to Anaheim, CA for the National Parks and Recreation board and is continuing to serve on the Idaho Board of Aging. Terry Steiner on September 15 & 16 the Backcountry a series of workshops at TeePee Creek. Mike Ripatti reported on the drought back east that he saw. Robin Stanley The schools received another year of funding. Feels like we are prone to a fire with the magnitude of fuel above Wallace. The Pulaski Trail has been a real asset to the community and has preserved the history of the area. His band had a street dance in Avery. A lot of people there were asking about the gate on Slate Creek road. Senator Goedde seeing a lot of disease on Roundtop mountain. Neil Smith There are two gates on Slate Creek that block off the middle section of the road. Ruth Watkins has been writing grant proposals and has noticed that in the last year it has becoming more difficult to find funding. Enjoys being part of RAC and having money to fund projects. Mary Farnsworth introduced Matt Davis, Acting DR and Chad Hudson. Many folks on our forest have been providing support to other forests with fire suppression. We are actively implementing about 40 sales right now and planning sales for next year. Went out on the CDA river and was able to experience on a Sat. On the tail end of Forest Plan Revision. Expecting a roll out of the Plan in January. Is going to DC to meet with the department and Congressionals the first week of October. Went to Mallard Larkins by horseback. Will be heading to Scotchman's Peak in a few weeks and the Selkirk Crest next week.

## I. Review of Proposed 2013 Projects:

**13\_01 Forestwide Road Maintenance (\$100,000)** The RAC contribution will supplement the current IPNF Forest-wide maintenance program that is expected to be approximately \$130,000. As in the past seven years, it is expected that any contribution received from the RAC will be split equally between the IPNF's three zones and all proposed road maintenance conducted with RAC funds will be closely coordinated with a County representative. *Equally important are* 

the jobs and stimulus to our local economy both the RAC and Forest funds create. The IPNF maintains several "call when needed" contracts for blading, brushing and general road maintenance that utilize our local contractors. This keeps jobs and opportunities in our local communities. Forest Service road maintenance personnel would work with County Officials to prioritize road maintenance needs in the five northern counties of Idaho.

- **13\_02** Forestwide Flood Damage Repair (\$100,000): Based on this proposal, the IPNF is asking the RAC to consider a contribution of \$100,000 with the Forest Service supplying all "In kind" services relating to the contract preparation and administration totaling \$12,000. The RAC contribution will supplement the current IPNF Forest-wide maintenance program that is expected to be approximately \$130,000. As in the past seven years, it is expected that any contribution received from the RAC will be split equally between the IPNF's three zones and all proposed road maintenance conducted with RAC funds will be closely coordinated with a County representative.
- 13\_03 Selkirk Grizzly Bear Remote Cameras (\$10,000): This request is to purchase remote cameras for placement within the Selkirk grizzly bear recovery zone and in adjacent Bears Outside the Recovery Zone (BORZ) areas. Cameras will be distributed in Bear Management Units in appropriate seasonal range. to a lack of funding. This kind of population data is necessary in order to document the existing use and (hopefully) increase in the number and distribution of bears using the recovery zone as the population moves towards recovery. This information is vital to demonstrating the success of recovery efforts to date in the Selkirk Recovery Zone. Concerns were raised by the RAC about how the data will be quantified and the value of the data, and where we would go with the information. The intent is not to come up with population estimates. The goal is to document how many of the BMUs have sows with cubs. Eight out of ten BMU's with sow and cubs is the indication that recovery efforts are working. Patty Perry called Wayne Waakinen to get additional information on this proposal. If a sow and cub were spotted within 10 miles of a recovery area, the sighting would count for that recovery area. Wayne gave permission to amend the wording in the proposal to say that the cameras would be placed "only within the Selkirk grizzly bear recovery zone" and the wording in "adjacent Bears Outside the Recovery Zone (BORZ) areas" would be removed.
- 13\_04 Treasured Landscapes (\$63,000) This proposal is for partial funding to initiate, and complete the Environmental Analysis (EA) for the Lightning Creek/West Cabinets Treasured Landscape Restoration Projects; resulting in an EA. This funding would help further enhance the collaborative support for this project. The Sandpoint Ranger District was selected to be the U.S. Forest Service, Region 1 site for the National Forest Foundations (NFF) Treasured Landscape fundraising program. The Treasured Landscape program is a public/private effort to accelerate restoration on National Forests. Sandpoint is one of only 14 sites selected from across the country. The Lightning Creek/West Cabinets project area was chosen due to the extensive water quality, fish habitat, wildlife security, recreation and road restoration work currently being implemented, and the need and opportunity for additional restoration projects. The area is used by a number of diverse user groups, has abundant experience and support

with volunteer groups, has well established partnerships, and is a place that is easily identifiable, which will aid NFF with fundraising.

- 13\_05 IPNF Youth & Seasonal Program (\$209,640) This project will fund youth and seasonal employees on the five ranger districts for a variety of work including; trail clearing and maintenance, recreation site maintenance and improvement work, and other resource work such as wildlife surveys and watershed restoration activities. This program provides employment opportunities for a wide variety of youth from local communities and includes atrisk, physically disabled or poverty level youth in addition to students who need not fit into any financial or social requirements. RAC support to youth in 2012 is helping to provide employment for more than 27 youth across the forest. In addition to the employment and public service benefits this program provides, participants develop life skills such as personal responsibility, cooperation, and a strong work ethic. The Forest Service will provide project coordination, vehicle support, tools, materials, supplies and safety equipment. Forest Service employees will provide on-the-job training for both the crew members and the crew leaders.
- 13 06 Forestwide Ambassadors (\$84,620): The project will fund seven seasonal ambassadors, three on the North Zone, and two on each the South and Central Zones. These employees provide a critical Forest Service presence to help educate and inform visitors on everyone's responsibility to help maintain the natural environment and associated recreation areas. Using the "Good Host" approach these employees will contact many of our recreation visitors during weekends, early evening hours, holidays and high use periods when the public is most active. This is a popular and highly successful program that enhances the health and safety of forest visitors, supports the forest recreation program, and protects forest resources. The "ambassadors" guard against vandalism, monitor and replace signs, help maintain dispersed sites, educate users on wildfire prevention, firewood cutting and OHV use, and in areas of heavy motorized use provide roadside assistance, respond to accidents, help with medical emergencies, and assist both county and Forest Service law enforcement officers and front desk receptionists. Because of the anticipated reduction in available funds, this proposal is scaled back to include only personnel costs for the seven ambassadors in 2013. On the North Zone, one ambassador will be stationed at each District (Bonners Ferry, Priest Lake, and Sandpoint Ranger Districts). The Forest Service will provide project coordination, vehicle support, tools, materials, supplies and safety equipment. Forest Service employees will provide on-the-job training for all seven Recreation Ambassadors.
- 13\_07 Forestwide Sanitation (\$24,000) The Idaho Panhandle National Forests (IPNF) remains a significant recreational attraction in the Pacific Northwest and is ranked as one of the most heavily visited forests in our Region. In response to this high demand for use, the IPNF has installed several hundred vault toilets/restrooms forest-wide at our developed sites. These restrooms provide some level of user comfort, and more importantly, reduce critical health and safety issues associated with unmanaged human sanitation. Maintaining an adequate level of service continues to be difficult with reduced Forest Service recreation funds. This project will stabilize the ever present need of pumping restrooms, and provide each district on the forest with the funds to accomplish this required maintenance activity, and/or install "port-a-johns" in

areas that receive high use but lack permanent restroom facilities. Currently for Fiscal Year 2013, the forest lacks the necessary resources to maintain the sanitation program without posing a significant adverse effect to the remaining work needed to be done across the forest in the recreation program. Developed recreation sites with restrooms across the forest range from lookouts and minimally developed campgrounds, to large operations such as Priest Lake Island Camping, all of which require annual pumping and maintenance.

- 13\_08 Bonners Senior Employment Support (\$36,000) Provides training and employment to Boundary County Senior citizens. Each employee is 55 years or older and at poverty level, or permanently disabled in some manner. These individuals are part of the most difficult to place demographics in the employment arena.. RAC support for the last six years has made it possible to continue this program.. Currently, the Bonners Ferry Ranger District provides part-time situations for 5 individuals. Based upon the qualifications of several new applicants, we could expand the type of support these individuals give us. Title II funding would complement Forest Service funding to allow five participants to move into full time work on the District for up to 6 months. The Forest Service provides partial salary support, vehicles, safety equipment, job specific training, project materials and supervision.
- 13\_09 Forestwide Timber Layout and Prep (\$91,000): The projects are scheduled timber sales that will enable the Forest to meet its targets and forest management objectives, and sustain local mill infrastructure and communities. The crews will mark harvest unit boundaries and designate and cruise trees for harvest in accordance with treatment prescriptions. Crew members will be locally hired and directed by permanent Forest Service employees. Additional benefits of funding these temporary employees will be extended to the local communities by increasing both employment and local business revenue. We expect that all employees will be local residents of north Idaho. Neil Smith suggested monitoring funding the projects through implementation to track the success rate of these projects.
- 13 10 Magee Host (\$5985) The Coeur d'Alene River Ranger District requests funding for a host at Magee Ranger Station. Magee Ranger Station is a developed recreation site including a picnic area, the historic Magee Ranger Station, warehouse, and barn; and Magee Cabin, a popular rental on the District. A host enhances the safety of Forest visitors renting Magee Cabin and other Forest visitors recreating nearby. A host at Magee receives a Forest Service radio, enabling them to contact CdA Dispatch or law enforcement in an emergency. A host also performs important maintenance duties at Magee Ranger Station. This allows the Coeur d'Alene River Ranger District's seasonal recreation facilities crew to focus their time on other developed sites on the District needing attention. When the District cannot afford to hire a host for Magee, the seasonal recreation facilities crew spends about 2-3 days a week performing maintenance duties at Magee Ranger Station, preventing them from repairing and maintaining many of the other developed sites. In addition to enhancing safety and performing maintenance at Magee, a host also improves renters' experience on the Coeur d'Alene River Ranger District, making them more comfortable during their stay. Maintenance duties at Magee Ranger Station include bringing trash from renters at the cabin to Coeur d'Alene once a week, mowing the lawn, filling the water tank for the cabin biweekly and performing other minor maintenance tasks as needed. The host would also be available to Magee Cabin renters

in case there was an emergency or for other minor repairs or supplies that may be needed. The host would work part time, 3 days a week. They would provide their own trailer which would be kept on a concrete pad near the Ranger Station. Emphasis will be put on finding a local resident from Shoshone or Kootenai County.

- 13\_11 NFK CDA Clean-Up and Rec Support (\$12,900) This project would fund the River Ranger on the North Fork Coeur d'Alene River corridor. This position will enable the USFS to lead cooperative river clean-up and recreation management activities in the NFK CDA. The litter and garbage are a hazard for wildlife and human health, and are unsightly nuisances for residents and visitors. In 2012, RAC funding enabled the Forest Service to hire a seasonal "River Ranger" to assist with river recreation management, natural resource protection, and human health and safety in the river corridor. To date, the river ranger has contacted and educated recreationists along the river corridor about "Leave No Trace Ethics" using the "Respect the River" program, posted "Respect the River" signs, posted and enforced designated boat launch sites, and begun to organize a volunteer cleanup day in September 2012 which will be sponsored by the North Fork Coeur d'Alene River Watershed Advisory Group (WAG). Funding for this project would allow the Forest Service to continue the educational sign campaign that began along the river corridor in 2012. The presence of a "river ranger" will continue to increase public awareness and reduce littering, along with providing other benefits for natural resources and human safety. MariBeth Lynch suggested taking the "Respect the River" program to the school and engaging the children.
- 13\_12 Bell Bay Water (\$5,000) The Coeur d'Alene River Ranger District requests funding to upgrade the water system at Bell Bay Campground. There are two wells at Bell Bay CG: one well servicing the lower loop and one well servicing the upper loop, which is mainly used as a group site. The well servicing the lower loop of the campground has been problematic for years and is currently shut down. Tests results continued to come back positive for *E. coli*. Currently the hosts are filling a plastic water tank with water from the upper well to service the lower loop of the campground. They will continue to do this until a permanent solution is found. Looking at test results over the past 20 years, many tests have come back positive for coliform. has asked the Forest Service to provide a long-term plan to mitigate the problems with the well on the lower loop. The CDA River Ranger District proposes to decommission the well on the lower loop and route a water line from the upper loop to service the system on the lower loop. This would involve reconfiguring the plumbing on the upper loop, installing a new well house on the upper loop to house the plumbing, water meter, captive air tanks, gauges, pump controls, routing an HDP pipe from the upper loop to the lower loop and connecting the two distribution systems. The old well for the lower campground would be decommissioned.
- **13\_13 Forest Archeology Crew (\$35,625)** Option 1: (1) GS-7 temporary crew boss (2) GS-4 temporary crew members. This crew would be located in the Supervisors Office and would be under the direction of the Forest Archeologist. The crew would be shifted to different zones depending on the work load and priority of work. Option 2: (3) GS-4 crew members where each crew member would work for the North/South Zone and Forest Archeologists assisting the respective archeologist in field survey work. The same projects identified in Option 1 would be

priority work to accomplish. These crew members could be shifted to any of the other zones during the field season when workload needs warranted. **Expected Outcome and Benefits:** With the additional temporary crew members the Forest could complete necessary field data collection to assist in attaining FY 13 NEPA vegetation targets as well as continue to move forward on outyear NEPA data collection for vegetation projects. There is more flexibility using temporary crews than using a contracted Archeologist. The forest has lost three permanent Archeologists and is looking to fill this void.

- **13\_14** Forestwide Weeds (\$76,225) Brief Description of Project: This request would fund wages for six temporary employees to carry out noxious weed treatment and surveys across the Idaho Panhandle National Forests. Personnel would be recruited from the local workforce to carry out weed treatment, inventory, and mapping work. Focal areas would include roads, trailheads, campgrounds, and priority back country areas. **Expected Outcome and Benefits:** 
  - Project would provide six summer temporary jobs recruited from the local workforce.
  - The weed crew employees would support Forest Service, cooperative, and volunteer weed treatment projects across six North Idaho counties.
- 13\_15 Boundary County Weeds (\$24,000) This request is for the purchase of a 4x4 pickup truck to help with roadside spraying narrow road right of ways adjacent to crop land and Forest Service property throughout the Kootenai valley for noxious weeds. This truck would also be used to do weed inspections and consultations for private landowners throughout Boundary county. This vehicle would provide the county weed superintendent the opportunity to monitor bio control release sites as well as collect insects and distribute them to areas where needed. Mapping new weed infestations and monitoring spray projects would also be done. The weed superintendent is currently using his personal vehicle to perform these duties. Expected Outcome and Benefits: This vehicle would enhance the weed department's ability to manage noxious weeds adjacent to private, state, federal and private lands on 800,000 acres throughout Boundary county and help with spray projects of the Selkirk cooperative weed management area partnership.
- **13\_16 IFPC PLT (\$5,000)** Designed for grades PreK-12, Project Learning Tree (PLT) teach *how to think, not what to think* about environmental issues. PLT uses the forest as a "window to the world," helping students connect with forest resources no matter where they live. PLT is hands-on, multidisciplinary, relevant and current. **Expected Outcome and Benefits:** Our purposes are to 1) form a citizenry knowledgeable about Idaho's forests and other natural resources, and equipped and motivated to make and support responsible stewardship decisions about managing those resources, and 2) create an interest and motivation among Idaho educators and youth to use and care for federal lands.
- -Offer 15 PLT workshops throughout Idaho, including educators from Boundary, Bonner, Kootenai and Benewah counties.
- -Serve at least 350 teachers through the 15 workshops.
- -These 350 teachers have the potential conservatively to reach 15,000 Idaho students each year.

**Benefits:** Training teachers in Project Learning Tree (PLT) is one way to implement stewardship objectives to enhance forest ecosystems and restore and improve land health and water quality. This exposure will improve the relationship among the people who use and care about public lands (i.e. the educators and their students) and the agencies that manage these lands.

- **13\_17 IFPC Opinion Leaders (\$5,000)** The Idaho Forest Products Commission is an established provider of successful forest tours for educators and opinion leaders. Since IFPC's inception in 1992, nearly 1000 people have participated in these intensive two to four day on-the-ground experiences. **Expected Outcome and Benefits:**
- -Forty-two educators (teachers and career counselors) participate in the *Sustainable Forestry Tour* in northern Idaho.
- -Up to twenty-five opinion leaders participate in the *Miracle at Work Forest Tour* in northern Idaho.
- -Through tour stops and presentations, the groups monitor forest stewardship and collaborative projects.
- -Tour participants are empowered to prepare their students and colleagues to make informed decisions, demonstrate responsible behavior and take constructive action concerning the future of Idaho's natural resources and stewardship of Idaho's public lands. **Benefits:** Public support and understanding are essential to implementing stewardship objectives. Monitoring of federal forest stewardship projects by educators and opinion leaders will help the USFS communicate with a wide audience of stakeholders. Taking these key leaders out on the ground to monitor projects and to learn first-hand about Idaho's forests from individuals, agencies and organizations who use and care for Idaho's natural resources
- **13\_18 Benewah Weeds (\$60,000)** The goal of the project will be to improve plant communities on Forest Service land and land adjacent to Forest Service. Areas of invasive weeds to be treated would be recreational areas, cattle allotment areas and timber sale sites. This will be done through the reduction of invasive species using integrated pest management practices. The requested funds will provide for five part time herbicide applicators, funds for administration and operation, herbicide and biological controls. Expected Outcome and Benefits: The outcome of this program will be reduced infestations of invasive plant species on Forest Service land and adjacent lands.
- **13\_19 Clarkia Roads (\$17,000)** This project would fund replacing 660 feet of culverts on 3.2 miles of access road to Emerald Creek Recreation Area including EMC campground and garnet area. Expected Outcome and Benefits: Improved travel and improve recreating in the Emerald Creek, St. Joe National Forest Recreation Area. **RAC removed from consideration.**
- **13\_20 Fuelwood Manager (\$17,900)** The interest for public and commercial fuelwood is growing every year. We receive numerous requests at our district offices to access additional fuelwood gathering areas within the forest. With the expense to heat our homes increasing each year, this puts more of a demand on our district to identify locations for more fuelwood. This proposal would fund a position under the "1039" program (seasonal workforce) on the

Coeur d'Alene River Ranger District to provide the public with opportunities for fuelwood gathering and ensure proper use and protection of the forest resources. This employee would work full-time seasonally from April through October, when a majority of fuelwood gathering occurs on the District. The main objective would be to identify new fuelwood opportunities on the district. In this capacity, the Fuelwood Program Manager would determine preferred firewood cutting areas, and assist in setting up commercial firewood sales. The Fuelwood Program Manager would notify the public about the new areas through news releases to the media, provide maps and information to the front desk receptionists, place signage on the ground, educate public fuelwood gathers in the field, and have the authority to enforce firewood-cutting regulations. It is expected that the Fuelwood Program Manager position will:

- Provide the public with opportunities to gather a source of fuel that is renewable.
- Improve forest health by creating fuelwood opportunities in areas affected by insects and diseases.
- Facilitate in the reduction of fuels for potential fires.
- Increase safety for National Forest visitors by providing fuelwood gathers the opportunity to remove roadside hazards.
- Reduce trail maintenance costs by allowing fuelwood collectors to remove large debris from seasonal roads and trails.
- Educate fuelwood gathers regarding program policies.
- Reduce resource damage on the Coeur d'Alene River Ranger District by patrolling and enforcing program regulations.
- Increase the sale of firewood cutting permits on the Coeur d'Alene River Ranger District.

. Approximately 200 cords of fuelwood were removed from the five preferred fuelwood sites opened in 2011. For 2012, approximately 150 cords of fuelwood have been gathered in the three preferred fuelwood sites so far this season. By funding the fuelwood program manager position, the public will continue to have more firewood cutting opportunities by providing the preferred fuelwood areas. This action will help to increase the supply the public is requesting while providing protection to our natural resources.

**13\_21 Cabinet Yaak DNA Study (\$10,000)** Boundary County is requesting \$10,000 from the RAC monies to assist in the Cabinet Yaak Grizzly Bear DNA study. Boundary County has given monies already to the project and will continue to support it to gain a scientifically defensible population number. This is a very high priority for Boundary County. RAC supported this as a need to get accurate information.

## **Additional Discussion:**

• **Slate Creek Road:** Is an old historic wagon road, built in a steep ravine with streams traversing through culverts. This road is at high risk for failure. The road was temporarily barricaded until the culverts could be replaced and filled in the road. The gates were installed in case there was a future road failure and there was a need for an emergency closure. Wade Sims had just sent an email out to his district requesting that they place signs on those gates to notify the public that the gates will remain open unless there is a failure.

• Both 13\_01 Forestwide Road Maintenance (\$100,000) and 13\_02 Forestwide Flood Damage Repair (\$100,000) share the \$142,000 for in-kind funding.

## **Public Forum:**

Larry Yergler, Shoshone County Commissioner: Lots of needy projects and faced with budget restraints. There's not enough money to go around. Confident that the RAC will spend money wisely. Believes that our forest is in dire need with the amount of timber that dies each year. Believes this will help secure funding for the schools and wishes that we'd take 40 mmbf from Shoshone county each year.

**Projects Recommended for Funding:** Jon proposed picking a strategy of starting with the projects they like the most and then work their way down until they have a full package of preferred projects, then adjusting funding as needed to stay within the projected budget. Terry suggested funding a percentage of the project, if not able to fund an entire project. The RAC worked through the smaller proposals first.

- 13 16 IFPC PLT (\$5,000)
- 13\_17 IFPC Opinion Leaders (\$5,000)
- 13\_11 NFK CDA Clean-Up and Rec Support (\$12,900)
- 13 12 Bell Bay Water (\$5,000)
- 13\_22 N. Fork of the CDA River Toilet (\$14,000)\* Jon Cantamessa brought forward
- 13 10 Magee Host (\$3300)
- 13\_04 Treasured Landscapes (\$5,000): The RAC dropped the amount to \$5,000 to show support for the project.
- 13 15 Boundary County Weeds –Truck (\$20,000)
- 13 14 Forestwide Weeds (\$60,000)
- 13\_21 Cabinet Yaak DNA Study (\$10,000)
- 13\_03 Selkirk Grizzly Bear Remote Cameras (\$10,000):
- 13 07 Forestwide Sanitation (\$20,000)
- 13\_20 Fuelwood Manager (\$17,900)
- 13 06 Forestwide Ambassadors (\$54,000)
- 13 01 Forestwide Road Maintenance (\$70,000)
- 13\_02 Forestwide Flood Damage Repair (\$70,000):
- 13 05 IPNF Youth & Seasonal Program (\$152,684)
- 13 08 Bonners Senior Employment Support (\$25,200)
- 13\_09 Forestwide Timber Layout and Prep (\$63,700):
- 13\_13 Forest Archeology Crew (\$24,937)

The above funding amounts were the final amounts suggested by the RAC members with the understanding that there are three funding possibilities:

- The first is that the RAC is funded at exactly what is projected. In that case the approved projects will be funded at the current amounts shown above.
- The second scenario is that funding will be less than projected. In that case, the funding gap will be split proportionally only across projects **13\_01**, **13\_02**, **13\_08**, **13\_09**, and **13\_13**. The remaining projects will be funded at their originally approved levels.
- The third possibility is that funding will be greater than projected. If this occurs, project 13\_05 will receive 40% of the surplus (not to exceed the original request amount) and projects 13\_01, 13\_2, 13\_08, 13\_09, and 13\_13 will each receive 12% of the surplus. The remaining projects will be funded at their originally approved levels.

Barbara Botsch made a motion to approve all the recommended projects, percentages and amendments to projects made so far. MariBeth Lynch seconded this motion.

Senator John Goedde amended this motion to fund the projects as presented above, but including the caveats for the different funding possibilities. Should the funding be less than the amount projected the RAC would cover the shortfall out of projects 13\_01, 13\_02, 13\_08, 13\_09, and 13\_13, the Youth Project would remain frozen at the current funding level. If we receive more money than anticipated, that amount would be redistributed among projects 13\_01, 13\_2, 13\_08, 13\_09, and 13\_13 at 12% each while funding for project 13\_05 would receive 40% of the surplus, not to exceed the original request amount.

Jackie seconded the motion. The RAC group voted unanimously to accept this motion.

John Cantamessa then closed the meeting.